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SUBJECT: BOSNIA ? WOMEN'S SMALL GRANT PROJECT PROPOSALS

REF: 09 STATE 132094

SUMMARY

1. Embassy Sarajevo submits the following four proposals in priority order for S/GWI's small grant initiative to promote women's political, economic, and social advancement. Post received 64 proposals, which were reviewed by representatives of the economic, public affairs (OPA), and USAID offices, with input from the POL. The following projects were selected based on conformity with Mission Strategic Plan goals, potential for greatest impact on women's advancement in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH), and geographic reach. ECON in coordination with OPA and USAID will monitor the selected projects and explore ways to integrate them into other USG initiatives. End Summary.

NOMINATED PROJECT CAPSULES

2. First priority: "Women's Side of Politics" proposed by the Helsinki Citizen's Assembly (HCA) of Banja Luka. This project addresses the political advancement of women by a) establishing an "academy" to augment women's political skills and experience through internships, and form networks to increase women's political party leadership and elected positions; b) establishing a recognized, vocal group of women commentators on a variety of BiH political, social, and economic issues; and c) forming student forums to promote gender issues among university students to cultivate BiH's next generation of politicians. Although BiH has gender-based quotas to increase women's political participation, the quotas fall far short from being filled. The project fits with USAID democracy and governance programs particularly with election programming and civic advocacy efforts in this critical election year. We will explore ways for OPA and USAID cooperation with HCA when possible.

3. Second priority: "Response to Violence in Families" combating gender-based violence. The project will expand the implementer's successful work linking NGOs with the government. Although a legislative framework and government action plans exist for protection against gender based violence, this does not often translate to government action and coordination with NGOs. The project will expand the NGO's successful model of uniting government, NGOs, and relevant stakeholders through establishing protocols for coordinated work and public campaigns for prevention of violence and protection of victims. It will also directly support and protect victims through the provision of safe houses and related services.

4. Third priority: "Domestic Violence Prevention Initiative" targeting community and police outreach

across BiH and rehabilitation of perpetrators. The outreach portion will advocate against gender-based violence in communities and form networks with police to create and/or strengthen community-based advocates. The rehabilitation component will offer a specialized program for perpetrators on both a voluntarily and court referral program to provide necessary assistance to promote non-violent and non-abusive behavior.

15. Fourth priority: "Schools in Action Against Trafficking" initiative to educate parents and students in prevention of trafficking in persons. The project aims to train 640 students and 640 parents in 32 schools and 16 local communities, and to establish networks between parents, teachers, NGOs, and the government to prevent trafficking. The project complements USAID's Trafficking in Persons (TIP) program. The NGO is receiving funding through USAID's implementer, Catholic Relief Services, to develop TIP curricula. It is an excellent link to those efforts by bringing in parents as a key component to preventing TIP.

Below are Embassy Sarajevo's four nominated project proposals in priority order.

PROJECT 1: WOMEN'S SIDE OF POLITICS

Project Contact Information and Duration

Name of Project: Women's Side of Politics
Name of Organization: Helsinki Citizen's Assembly, Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina
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Amount Requested: USD 87,100
Project Dates: June 01, 2010 - December 31, 2011
Previous U.S. Funding: National Endowment for Democracy: "Youth Network in BiH," (4/2000-3/2001), USD 43,000; Women's Network BiH, "Be Seen, Be Heard" (4/2004-3/2005) USD 39,989.

Executive Summary

The project will establish three components: a) a political academy to strengthen women's position and influence within political parties and their management structures; b) a cadre of women experts from various fields known as "Women's Alternative Government" to provide commentary on current issues, such as constitutional and health reform; and c) student forums to discuss gender and political issues comprised of political science students in universities in Banja Luka, Sarajevo, and Mostar to target the next generation of political leaders. The project will mobilize target groups to initiate joint actions to improve women's political profile and incorporate gender issues within BiH's political and education systems. The goal is to transfer responsibilities to universities and members of the Women's Alternative Government.

Organization Background

Helsinki Citizens' Assembly (HCA) is a local NGO established in 1996 and located in Banja Luka in the entity of Republika Srpska (RS) within BiH. HCA has worked locally and regionally on civic initiatives, reconciliation and empowerment of marginalized groups. HCA has implemented over 50 projects including advocacy for the introduction of quotas within BiH electoral law; guidelines for gender-sensitive language in print media, establishment of a safe house, and strengthened capacity of local women's organizations throughout BiH. HCA is a

member of several women's issue networks, and cooperates with many local and regional NGOs, international organizations and government institutions. Projects are managed by an Executive Director, Program Manager, and Financial Manager. HCA staff includes three project coordinators and two assistants. Dragana Dardic, Program Manager, will be responsible for this project. She was a journalist with Radio Free Europe and Reuters prior to joining HCA in 2004, and is the author of several gender-equality publications.

Statement of Problem

Despite a solid legislative framework which guarantees gender equality in BiH, the status of women has only slightly improved. Although quotas mandating a 30 percent participation of women on electoral lists resulted in women's increased participation in legislative bodies, women only comprise 14.29 percent of the BiH House of Representatives and 13.33 percent of the BiH House of Peoples. Men hold all nine State-level minister positions, the presidency of the BiH Council of Ministers, and all three BiH Presidency positions. Key decisions on BiH's future are passed not within legislative and executive bodies, but rather in political party organizations where women's participation is negligible. For example, only 12 out of 107 members of the Main Board of the Party of Democratic Action (SDA) are women, and one out of five vice-presidents of the Alliance of Independent Social Democrats is a woman. Their influence on political parties and decision-making is marginal. Since the end of the war in BiH in 1995, few to no women were involved in the many negotiations related to social and legal organization of the country, from the Dayton Peace Agreement to recent negotiations constitutional reform. Women who are performing certain public functions are also relatively invisible on the public scene. Research shows that women's presence in printing and electronic media in BiH is below 20 percent, which drops even lower during the pre-electoral period. BiH lacks a visible cadre of women commentators.

Project Goal and Objectives

Goal: To strengthen the position of women within political parties, especially within managing structures, to enable equal participation in political decision-making processes.

Project objectives: To support and empower women politicians as advocates for gender equality through education and training; to initiate the establishment of a group of recognized and respected commentators representing and promoting gender issues and women's perspective on BiH's political scene; to sensitize students to the need for gender equality in BiH political and public spheres.

Project Outcomes and Performance Measures

a) Political Academy for Women - Leaders, Members and Activists of Political Parties in BiH -- The Academy will be an informal education for women politicians to acquire knowledge and skills needed for increased political participation. Topics will employ a theoretical, feminist approach and include: BiH political systems, European integration, and human rights. Workshops will include advocacy, leadership, negotiations, and media. Participants will write research papers incorporating gender perspectives and activist approaches to these topics, and will participate in internships in offices of established women politicians to link the two groups.

Performance measures:

Thirty political activists complete the Academy;
Number of participants appointed to party managing structures or other public positions, or selected as candidates on electoral lists;

Number of follow-on initiatives started by trainees;
Trainee public visibility and engagement;
Number of trainees placed in internships.

b) Women's Alternative Government -- A series of meetings will be organized to establish a "Women's Alternative Government," a cadre of commentators comprised of women, to offer alternative solutions to BiH problems based on principles of tolerance and non-violence. These meetings will assemble stakeholders, and support, identify, and recruit potential members. Working meetings would outline and work to implement the group's strategic goals.

Desired outcomes:

Identification of members of the Women's Alternative Government;
Establishment of the Women's Alternative Government;
The Women's Alternative Government makes comments about current events and becomes a recognizable political subject at the BiH political scene.

Performance measures:

Number of women involved in the Women's Alternative Government;
Number of women who support the Women's Alternative Government;
Strategic goals of the group established;
Frequency of members' public appearances;
Number of media reports on group and commentary.

c) Student Forums -- The project will establish reading forums within departments of political science at universities in Banja Luka, Sarajevo, and potentially Mostar to target future political leaders and to sensitize students to BiH gender issues and politics and offer different political views. The groups will discuss selected texts dealing with gender policies, politics of multiculturalism, and other topics to supplement the existing curriculum with the most up-to-date literature, and to stimulate debate. Two of the most promising students will receive a small scholarship to write their graduate or postgraduate papers on gender issues in BiH. The project will organize study visits from Banja Luka and Sarajevo to target prejudices, establish communication, and link students, which is at the moment almost non-existent. Students will also have the Women's Alternative Government as a resource.

Performance measures:

Number of students participating in reading forums;
Students' level of satisfaction with the topics;
Number of professors involved with forums and the level of readiness to incorporate topics within their lectures;
Number of follow-up activities related to forum issues.

Public Relation Component: All project information will be available on the organization's website and will be distributed through the BiH established networks targeting gender issues. HCA will regularly inform the media about the project's activities, building on HCA's established cooperation with the media.

Detailed Budget

Expenses

- Unit # of units Unit rate (USD) Costs
(USD)

A Salaries

1	Project Coordinator (incl. tax and benefits)			
-	months	18	1120	20160
2	Exec Director (part of salary, incl. tax and benefits)			
-	months	18	182	3276
3	Program Mgr (part of salary, incl. tax and benefits)			
-	months	18	170	3060
4	Admin Asst (50 pct of salary, incl. tax and			

benefits)			
-	months	18	308 5544
5	Finance Mgr (part of salary, incl. tax and benefits)		
-	months	18	150 2700
- Subtotal Salaries			
34740			
B Local Office			
1	Vehicle costs: Registration, Repair		
-	months	18	40 720
2	Office Rent and Equipment ? Provided in kind from		
HCA			
-	months	18	0 0
3	Consumable Office Supplies		
-	months	18	50 900
4	Other Services (tel/fax, electr./heat, maintenance		
-	month	18	150 2700
- Subtotal Local Office			4320
C Other costs, services			
1	Translation of Documents		
-	pages	25	15 375
2	External Financial Service		
-	months	18	100 1800
3	Bank Charges and Fees (approx. 0.5 pct of budget)		
-	years	2	300 600
- Subtotal Other Costs, Services			2775
D Academy modules (3 modules x 3 days x 30 persons)			
1	Moderator's Fee (1 moderator x 3 modules x 2 day)		
-	days	6	150 900
2	Lecturers Fee (6 lecturers x 3 modules)		
-	person-module	18	250 4500
3	Trainers Fee (2 trainers x 3 modules x 1 day)		
-	days	6	200 1200
4	Material for participants (25 people x 3 modules)		
-	person-module	75	3 225
5	Accommodation, Meals and Refreshment (3 days)		
-	people	90	210 18900
6	Travel costs (30 people in each of 3 modules)		
-	people	90	25 2250
- Subtotal Academy Modules			27975
E Establishment of Women's Alternative Government			
1	Preparatory Meetings (catering for 10 participants)		
-	meetings	10	150 1500
2	Travel Costs for Meeting Organizers		
-	meetings	7	60 420
3	Rent for Room for Roundtable		
-	days	1	200 200
4	Lunch and Refreshments at Roundtable		
-	people	20	30 600
5	Travel costs for Roundtable		
-	people	15	40 600
6	Meetings of Women's Alternative Government		
-	meetings	2	700 1400
- Subtotal Establishment of Women's Alt Govt			4720
F Reading Forums (14 Sessions in Sarajevo and Banja Luka)			
1	Education material (copying, books, etc.)		
-	sessions	14	100 1400
2	Lecturers fee		
-	sessions	14	200 2800
3	Local organizer fee in Sarajevo		
-	sessions	7	150 1050
4	Refreshments		
-	sessions	14	100 1400
5	Accommodation, meals and refreshment for study tours		
-	people	20	110 2200

6	Travel cost for Study tours			
-	people	20	25	500
7	Travel cost for lecturer			
-	meetings	7	60	420
8	Scholarships			
-	people	2	500	1000
-	Subtotal Reading Forums			10770
G	Public and media promotion -Web masters' fee (tax incl.)			
-	months	18	100	1800
	Total Salaries and Other Admin Expenses (A+B+C)			41835
	Total Activities Expenses (D+E+F+G)			45265
	TOTAL PROJECT COSTS			87100

PROJECT 2: INSTITUTIONALIZED RESPONSE TO VIOLENCE IN
FAMILY

Project Contact Information and Duration

Name of Project: Institutionalized Response to Violence
in Family
Name of Organization: Citizens' Association Medica Zenica
DUNS Number: 360185467
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Amount Requested: USD 91,220
Project Dates: March 2010 - August 2011
Previous U.S. Funding: "Education for Youth on Gender-
Based Violence," (4/1/06 ? 12/31/06), USD 19,380;
"Gender-Based and Gender-Focused Education for Youth,"
(8/07 ? 8/08), USD 19,900; "Cross-Border Cooperation in
Combating Violence against Women," 7/1/08 ? 12/31/08, USD
12,500

Executive Summary

The project "Institutionalized Response to Violence in
Family" aims to create an educated, informed and
sensitized community to gender-based violence. 2009 had
an increase of recorded cases of domestic violence, and
despite laws in effect there is still no consistency in
their implementation and no adequate support for victims
of violence. Medica Zenica will act to establish
institutional cooperation with organizations in four
cantons of the Federation of BiH that focus on protection
of victims of violence. Project activities will be
implemented in Zenica-Doboj Canton, Central Bosnia
Canton, Una-Sana Canton and Bosnian Podrinje Canton. For
prevention of violence, the program will take part in
awareness-raising activities by creating activities to
mark the campaign "16 Days of Activism against Gender-
Based Violence," creating and distributing educational-
promotional materials in four cantons, and organizing a
state-level conference on "Positive Examples of
Institutional Cooperation between the Governmental and
Non-Governmental Sector in Protection from Violence."
With the purpose of direct assistance and empowerment of
victims of violence in the safe house and psychological
counseling center, Medica Zenica will provide direct
protection and assistance to victims of violence (women,
children, and men), secure individual- and group- therapy
work with women and children in the safe house and
psychological counseling center, as well as with men,
victims of violence, and violent persons in the

psychological counseling center. Activities are designed for women of different ages and nationalities, victims of violence in the family and community (approximately 220 women), children who are direct or indirect victims of some kind of violence in the family or community (100 children a year, 70% girls and 30 % boys), men of different ages (approximately 45) namely victims of violence in the family and community (approximately 15 men), violent persons (mostly men, approximately 30). Participants in the activities will also include representatives of cantonal ministries of labor, social policy, and refugees; social service centers; police departments; health centers; prosecutor's offices; courts; and local NGOs that deal with violence in the family (approximately 15 persons of different ages, professions, and genders per canton which is in total 60 persons from 4 cantons). Monitoring of the project activities and implementation of the protocols would be done through meetings organized every three months.

Background of the Organization

Medica Zenica is an expert women's non-governmental organization that continuously offers psycho-social and medical support to women and juvenile victims of war and also post-war violence. Medica was established in 1993 upon the initiative of German gynecologist Dr. Monika Hauser. The approach to clients -- women and children -- is based on humanistic values. The services that Medica provides include: a shelter/safe house, a psychological counseling office, medical and psychological support during the period of recovery from trauma and consequences of violence, and a day-care center for children. We also have a component of economic empowerment for women and girls implemented through a vocational training project. Medica's clients are women and children but we also work with men within family therapy. Medica Zenica also implements a line of educational, research, advocacy, and publishing projects focused on promotion and protection of human rights, prevention, and rehabilitation from sexual and domestic violence, and combating trafficking in human beings. The organization is managed by the Executive Director, Mrs. Sabiha Husic. The Executive Director relies on an Operational Consultative Team which is comprised of five members. Authorities of the Operational Consultative Team are defined by the Articles of Association and the Rules of Procedure. The staff numbers 31 female and male employees out of which: 2 with MA degree, 13 with university degree, 3 with two-year degree and 13 employees who finished high school education.

CV of the Responsible Person

Mrs. Sabiha Husic was born on July 1, 1971 in Vitez, Bosnia and Herzegovina. She has worked in Medica Zenica for 16 years as a psychotherapist/theologian, and she has been the Executive Director since 2007.

Education: Master's Degree- State Management and Humanitarian Affairs, University of Sarajevo, University of Belgrade and University of La Sapienza in Sarajevo, 2006. Certificate of Psychosocial Conflict Transformation, School for International Training in Brattleboro, Vermont, 2003.

Mrs. Husic has considerable experience in running education programs and therapy group work for women and children (trauma consequences and healing, violence, sexual violence (rape, incest), communication, conflict transformation, upbringing and children's education), running workshops in psychosocial education and anti-trafficking issues, and educating about understanding of cross-cultural, interreligious, and interethnic differences. She has been a member of the academic team and the Bosnian national coordinator of the European Project for Interreligious Learning (EPIL) -- whose members include Switzerland, Germany, Spain, Lebanon, and

Bosnia and Herzegovina -- since 2001.

Project Goal and Objectives

Project goal: Educate, inform and sensitize communities of Zenica-Doboj Canton, Central Bosnia Canton, Una-Sana Canton, and Bosnian Podrinje Canton about gender-based violence.

Project objectives: 1) Establish institutional cooperation for protection of victims of violence and prevention in target cantons, and 2) Care for victims of violence in safe house and psychological counseling center as well as counseling for violent persons.

Performance measures:

Eight working meetings organized with representatives of institutions and organizations in target cantons;
Four three-day educational seminars organized;
Sixty participants at educational seminars, 15 participants per canton;
Four protocols on mutual cooperation in protection of victims of violence and prevention of gender-based violence developed and signed;
Three hundred copies printed and distributed;
Four press conferences presenting protocols on mutual cooperation on domestic violence issues;
Approximately 100 persons involved in protection of victims of violence and prevention of violence participate in marking the campaign "Sixteen Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence";
One half-day state level conference;
30-50 victims of violence cared for in the safe house Medica Zenica;
80-100 persons received psychological support through 720-900 individual and group therapy sessions.

Detailed Budget

Expenses

- Unit # of units Unit rate (USD) Costs
(USD)

A Management Salaries

1	Project manager			
-	months	18	600	10800
2	Project Assistant			
-	months	18	400	7200
3	Accountant/Cashier			
-	months	18	200	3600
4	Public Relations Assistant			
-	months	18	200	3600

- Subtotal Management Salaries
25200

B Training/Seminar

1	Education of Institution and NGO Representatives			
-	people	60	240	14400
2	Materials for Education in Four Cantons			
-	people	60	75	300
3	Compensation for Trainers			
-	days	12	300	3600
4	Travel Expenses			
-	people	60	20	1200
5	Meetings in Four Cantons (Two Meetings per Canton)			
-	days	8	500	4000
6	Designing and Printing Specimen Copy of Protocol			
-	copies	300	8	2400
7	Press Conference to Present the Protocol			
-	days	4	500	2000

- Subtotal Training/Seminar
27900

C Global Campaign "16 Days against Gender-Based Violence"

1	Leaflet during 16 Days of Activism against GBV		
-	copies	500	3 1500
2	Conference for 30 Participants in Sarajevo		
-	days	30	200 6000
3	Travel Expenses		
-	people	30	30 900
4	Compensations for Moderators		
-	days	2	400 800
5	Working materials		
-	people	30	4 120
-	Subtotal Global Campaign Participation		9320

D Direct Assistance to Victims of Violence

1	Individual and Group Therapy in Safe House		
-	months	18	700 12600
2	Materials for Therapy at Safe House		
-	months	18	90 1620
3	Individual and Group Therapy at Counseling Center		
-	months	18	700 12600
4	Materials for Therapy Sessions at Counseling Center		
-	months	18	90 1620

- Subtotal Direct Assistance to Victims
- of Violence

28440

E Office Costs

1	Office materials		
-	months	18	60 1080
2	Electricity		
-	months	18	80 1440
3	Water		
-	months	18	30 540
4	Maintenance		
-	months	18	80 1440
5	Telephone/Internet		
-	months	18	100 1800

- Subtotal Office Costs
6300

F Unexpected Costs ? Bank Fees and Others

-	months	18	20 360
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- Subtotal Unexpected Costs
360

TOTAL PROJECT COSTS

91220

PROJECT 3: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION INITIATIVE:
COMMUNITY/POLICE OUTREACH AND REHABILITATION OF MALE
PERPETRATORS

Project Contact Information and Duration

Name of Project: Domestic Violence Prevention Initiative:
Community/Police Outreach and Rehabilitation of Male
Perpetrators

Name of Organization: Association "Women from Una"
(Udruzenje "Zene sa Une")

DUNS Number:

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Amount Requested: USD 92,190

Project Dates: March 2010 to September 2011

Previous U.S. Funding: "Democratic Cycle", financed by
U.S. Embassy, 01/05 to 01/06; 13,980 euros

Executive Summary

The association "Women from Una" is committed to the elimination of domestic violence in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Since its inception, the primary focus of the organization has been on providing services to meet the urgent needs of women and children. However, "Women from Una" recognizes that effective community response to the abuse of women must include early intervention in order to avoid further abuse over time. This project therefore consists of two components - community outreach and perpetrator rehabilitation.

Component 1 ? Community Outreach:

The community outreach activities will be designed to spread the awareness of domestic violence as the most serious form of violence against women and children. The goal of this part of the project is to raise awareness at the community level by sharing the knowledge and transferring some of the skills needed to provide the early interventions to women and men in abusive relationships through awareness. "Women from Una" proposes to network with the other CBOs to develop their capacity to advocate against domestic violence. "Women from Una" proposes to extend its community outreach activities to the following areas in Bosnia and Herzegovina: in the Federation of BiH, Canton 1 (municipalities of Bihac, Bosanska Krupa, Velika Kladusa, Buzim, Cazin, Bosanski Petrovac, Kljuc and Sanski Most and Canton 10 (municipalities of Drvar and Bosansko Grahovo). In the Republika Srpska, the municipalities of Bosanski Novi/Novi Grad and Prijedor. In addition, "Women from Una" would like to build its relationships with the police stations in these communities.

Component 2 ? Rehabilitation of Perpetrators:

The importance of rehabilitation programmes for male perpetrators has been underscored in many domestic violence intervention models. In addition, given the risks to women's emotional, physical and mental health, these programmes must provide quality interventions that promote women's safety. Using women's safety as the highest priority, "Women from Una" proposes to develop specific specialized intervention programmes for men who abuse their partners. Rehabilitation of the abuser will be a coordinated response, linking together the justice system when possible, advocacy work, and the education of batterers. This approach facilitates accountability for the violence committed and reward for non-abusive behavior. This education programme for batterers will emphasize accepting responsibility for abusive behavior without blaming their partners; changing attitudes so that they no longer see violence as an acceptable response in any situation; addressing power and control issues; and the connection between abusing and our patriarchal culture. The intervention programme would be available to men from the Una-Sana canton and surrounding areas. Men could enter the programme voluntarily, or be referred by the court, or other agencies such as the Welfare Department. We believe that holding the batterer accountable is one of the most crucial factors in stopping abuse.

Background of the Organization

The association "Women from Una" is a nongovernmental organization that supports Bosnian-Herzegovinian women in re-integration into family life and community in a way that successfully and equally participate in economic, public and political life of the community and region. The association "Women from Una" was initiated in 1992 and first registered on April 28, 1993. The present name of the association was registered on September 6, 1994 in Bihac. The mission of the association is open to society regardless of gender, profession, nationality, or religious affiliation, contributes to economic and political empowerment of women and youth. One of the objectives of the association is to educate citizens

about democracy, education, support and care for vulnerable populations of people, a corrective to the executive and legislative authorities as well as protection of natural resources. The local response of "Women from Una" to socio-economic problems in post-war Bosnia and Herzegovina sees empowered women as the foundation of healthy families and society. Working in the area around the Una-Sana Canton and the region, the Women from Una have acquired the confidence of local communities and have built good relations and cooperation with other local and international non-governmental organizations, not only in Bosnia but also in the countries of Central and Southeast Europe.

CV of the Responsible Person:

Name and surname: Aida Behrem

Date of birth: 10/10/1970

Nationality: Bosnia and Herzegovina

Education: B.A. Economist

Key Qualifications: Over 10 years experience as team member of projects in Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia in the framework of EU technical assistance programmes, in the field of social, private, and public sector; Good understanding of the functioning of the public administration system, economic and social transition processes in Bosnia and Herzegovina; at least eight years professional experience, related to the financial management and reporting of foreign funded projects and strong experience in co-operating with NGO and governmental organizations; acquaintance with general methodological approach and criteria for project identification, development, monitoring and assessment as well as extensive implementation of PCM, LFM approach; experience as a trainer for workshops on women's issues.

Project Goal and Objectives

Increase the safety and protection of women and children by working with the abusers. Increase the ability of female partners to address their safety and protection needs.

Develop ways of working with men who abuse in order to eliminate violence against women. Enable men to work through attitudes and values, and to develop skills that promote non-abusive behavior and gender equality.

Objectives:

- To provide community based advocates - teachers, church workers, health workers, peer educators and other advocates with the skills, knowledge resources, and some educational materials which would enable them to advocate for prevention of violence against women and children in their communities. "Women from Una" does not believe that any person should be abused, and implicit in all our work is that male victims of abuse deserve the same level of support as female victims.
- To produce a manual which could be used as a resource by domestic violence advocates in Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- To deliver specialized training for "Women from Una" staff working with abusive men.
- To establish the infrastructure for educational groups for abusive men -- either voluntary or legally-mandated participants -- with the aim of stopping abusive behavior in their relationships with women and in their families.

Expected Results:

- To remove double standards between violence within families and violence outside families.
- To demystify abuse as a criminal act.
- That the judiciary system would embrace this programme in order to: (a) send a strong message that domestic violence will not be tolerated; and (b) enforce treatment orders (that may be handed down by the courts).
- Reduce the recidivism rate of domestic violence offenders by 75 per cent.
- Increase support and empowerment of women, and consistent and vigorous enforcement of legal sanctions

against the abuse of women.

- Enhance the economic, political, social, and cultural equality of women.
- The primary result is that this will be another tool in the goal towards zero tolerance for violence against women.

Detailed Budget

- Unit # of units Unit rate (USD) Costs
(USD)

A Salaries (including tax and benefits)

1 Director (10 pct of salary allocated to budget)

- months A:rKQWQts

- participants 100 12 1200

1.3 Follow up costs

- cumulative 1900 1900

1.4 Printing of flyers

- units 2000 1 2000

1.5 Police stations visits (travel, materials)

- visits 12 200 2400

2 Component 2 - Rehabilitation of Perpetrators

2.1 Trainer Fee ? One Facilitator

- days 45 250 11250

2.2 Public Relations, Promotional Literature

- cumulative 2000 2000

2.3 Media and Advertising (TV, Radio, Posters)

- cumulative 2500 2500

2.4 Course Materials (Manuals, Handouts, Videotapes)

- participants 100 20 2000

2.5 Hospitality Costs

- cumulative 2500 2500

2.6 Impact Assessment

- cumulative 1500 1500

- Subtotal Operating Costs 46750

TOTAL PROJECT COSTS 92190

PROJECT 4: SCHOOLS IN ACTION AGAINST TIP

Project Contact Information and Duration

Name of Project: Schools in Action against Trafficking in Human Beings

Name of Organization: Association for the Cooperation of Parents and Schools in Bosnia and Herzegovina (APSCBIH)

DUNS Number:

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Executive Summary

The project would be implemented in twelve months with the aim of building the capacity of students and parents to combat child trafficking through the education system, and developing mechanisms that would reinforce the fight against trafficking in children in Bosnia and Herzegovina. The project is designed to educate 1280 students and parents throughout the country on identifying child trafficking and on the importance of combating trafficking in children. Activities would be conducted in accordance with the instructions of the Instrument of Universal Human Rights. The project promotes knowledge and advocacy skills of participants for the implementation of public advocacy for the development of instruments to protect children. Knowledge and skills gained in this way would be included into the

action plans of schools for prevention of child trafficking. The project will positively affect the empowerment of schools and the existing partnership of schools with local communities, government, and the NGO sector. It would also serve as a tool of exchange of experiences and promotion of good practices, all of which would directly improve the position of children in BiH.

Background of the Organization

The Association for the Cooperation of Parents and Schools in Bosnia and Herzegovina (APSCBIH) is a national parental association founded in 2005. It promotes active participation of all stakeholders in democratization of schools and of the society in general, as well as the rights of parents, students, and teachers. APSCBIH has developed a network of activists and established cooperation with partners within the government, civil society, schools, and parents. The Association supports parents' initiatives and has actively participated in a large number of actions in which parents worked toward institutionalization of their associations. More importantly, the Association uses positive and innovative approaches in promotion of school communities. As an example, it has a website (www.uskoro.ba) which serves as a promotional tool for good practices in schools. Previous projects implemented by the Association have included sensitive focus groups in the area of education (parents and students) and have worked on equally sensitive subjects of human rights, tolerance, and nonviolence.

The Association has developed collaboration and cooperation with the Ministry of Education and is currently partnering with the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) on education reform in Bosnia and Herzegovina. It was selected as a partner in this effort because of its extensive network of local councils of parents and schools. APSCBIH has spent many years building capacity in the field of education and knowledge, management, and advocacy, and has implemented a large number of national projects aimed at improving the living conditions of children and protecting the rights of children and parents. It has developed human resources for capacity building with a base coach in the field of child rights, non-violent communication and peace education. It also has capacity in the field of education, organizing conferences, publishing manuals, and other informational and promotional materials.

CV of the Responsible Person

Name of responsible person: Samir Haljeta

Date of birth: 10/14/1971.

Samir Haljeta is a professor of physical education at the University of Sarajevo. He has been certified in project management, teamwork, supplying resources, public advocacy, anti-trafficking, public research, facilitation, and active participation. He is a manager and participant in different projects, campaigns, and conferences for the rights of students, parents, and youth, as well as an active participant in the educational forum, and a consultant in education reform with the OSCE in Bosnia and Herzegovina. He has experience in project planning, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation. He has a long experience in reporting to donors and possesses facilitation and presentation skills.

Statement of Problem

Bosnia and Herzegovina is a destination, transit country, and increasingly a source country for victims of trafficking. Until recently, victims identified in Bosnia and Herzegovina were of foreign origin. However, more and more victims identified are local nationals, nearly half of whom are minors. Cross-sector efforts to protect children have not been sufficient, so the ability of parents and youth to prevent human trafficking should

be increased. The issue of child trafficking is a complex one and contributes to making the environment unsafe for children and young people in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Children of school age belong to an especially vulnerable group. Therefore, parents and the community as a whole should be involved in the fight against child trafficking. Parent and school partnership methodology is therefore ideal for a mechanism to raise awareness about the problem and reduce the risk of trafficking. Numerous awareness-raising campaigns conducted throughout the country showed that the public knew little about this problem and that it would be necessary to disseminate the knowledge on this topic, reduce the number of young people who might fall victims to this dangerous crime.

Project Goal and Objectives

- Train 640 student (girls) and 640 parents in 32 schools and 16 local communities on the rights of children and dangers of child trafficking. This will motivate them to launch initiatives for better prevention of child trafficking in the education system in BiH.
- To motivate school activists (1280 of them) to establish a broad alliance between schools and relevant structures in the fight against trafficking in BiH in local communities between the Government and NGO sector, in order to develop activities that will provide better prevention of trafficking in BiH.
- Raise awareness of the wider society about the importance of better protection of children and identification of a sustainable system of instruments for protection against trafficking in schools.

- Campaign in schools and communities and development of school action plans.

Duration of the activity will be 3 months.

- Competition for students - Within these activities, APSCBIH will announce a public invitation to all schools for students to create art works on the topic of human trafficking with the aim of further affirmation of students to combat human trafficking. Duration of activity: 2 months.

- Publications for the prevention of trafficking in children in schools developed as a result of project activities of students and parents to combat child trafficking and the establishment of the electronic versions of publications on www.uskoro.ba.

Detailed Budget

- Unit # of units Unit rate (USD) Costs (USD)

A Salaries, Technical

1	Project manager (incl.tax and benefits)		
-	months	12	672
			8064
2	Project coordinators (incl.tax and benefits)		
-	months	12	168
			16128
3	Communication and transportation manager (part of salary, incl.tax and benefits)		
-	months	12	148
			1176
4	Communication costs coordinators		
-	months	12	37
			3552
-	Subtotal Salaries		28920

B Meeting and consultations

1	Meetings		
-		3	738
			2214
2	Research consultant		
-		1	420
			420
-	Subtotal meetings and consultants		2634

C Promotional Materials

1	Posters	320	4	1280
2	Badges	1000	4	4000

3	Pencils	2000	0.50	1000
4	Film production		3690	3690
-	Subtotal promotional materials			9970
D Workshops				
1	Training facilitation			
-	events	64	168	10752
2	Trainer's transportation			
-	events	64	60	3840
3	Participants			
-		1280	4	5120
-	Subtotal workshops			19712
E Roundtables				
-	events	16	74	1184
F Campaigns and Action Plans				
-	schools	32	738	23616
G Prizes for students' works of art				
-		3	222,33(ave.)	445
H Publications				
1	Design and production (author award)			
-		1	420	420
2	Printing			
-	copies	100	19	1900
-	Subtotal Publications			2320
I School Conferences				
1	Meals	75	15	1125
2	Mileage	23	60	1380
3	Refreshm'ts	75	4	300
-	Subtotal School Conferences			2805
Total Salaries				28920
Total Other Activities				62686
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS				USD 91606

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